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MINISTERS' STATEMENT ON LEBANON.
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1. ON THE EVENING OF JULY 6, THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF
THE EC-9 ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON THE SITUATION
IN LEBANON. THIS STATEMENT WILL BE CONVEYED
TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF LEBANON, SYRIA, JORDAN, ISRAEL AND TO
THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE ARAB LEAGUE BY THE
RESPECTIVE GERMAN AMBASSADORS ACTING AS REPRESENTATIVES OF

THE PRESIDENCY.

BEGIN TEXT:

"THE NINE GOVERNMENTS VIEW WITH DEEP CONCERN THE INCREASING GRAVITY AND GROWING DANGERS OF THE SITUATION IN THE LEBANON. THE RECENT FIGHTING AND SHELLING HAVE CAUSED SERIOUS LOSSES AMONG THE CIVILIAN POPULATION.

THE NINE URGE ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED TO EXERCISE THE MAXIMUM RESTRAINT SO AS TO BRING THIS FIGHTING TO AN IMMEDIATE END. IT ENDANGERS NOT ONLY THE EXISTENCE OF THE LEBANON BUT ALSO THE STABILITY OF THE REGION AS A WHOLE. THEY RECOGNIZE THE GREAT DIFFICULTIES THAT CONFRONT PRESIDENT SARKIS. THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENCY IS THE SYMBOL OF THE SOVEREIGNTY AND UNITY OF THE LEBANON. THEY HOPE THAT THE PRESIDENT AND THE GOVERNMENT OF LEBANON WILL PERSEVERE IN THEIR EFFORTS TO RESTORE PEACE AND SECURITY THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE OF THE LEBANON. THEY EXPRESS THEIR SUPPORT FOR THESE EFFORTS. THEY ALSO EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT AN EFFECTIVE CEASE-FIRE WILL BE ACHIEVED. THIS WOULD GIVE TIME FOR REFLECTION AND NEGOTIATIONS AMONGST ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED. MEANWHILE THEY TRUST THAT NO ACTIONS WILL BE TAKEN WHICH MIGHT PREJUDICE THE INTEGRITY OF THE LEBANON." END TEXT.

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2. COMMENT: THE DETERIORATING SITUATION IN LEBANON OCCUPIED THE ATTENTION OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS AND THE WORKING GROUPS FOR MOST OF THE FIRST DAY. NEXT ON THE AGENDA ARE THE PROBLEMS OF AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST IN GENERAL. SCHIFFMAN

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